

## February 2020 Wave of Prayer

Lord, we pray for Mothers' Union worldwide on: 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 and dioceses as follows:-

- 2 – 4** Matlosane in South Africa; Mumias in Kenya; Eha-Amufu in Nigeria; Ballarat in Australia; Niagara in Canada and North Kerala in India
- 5 – 7** Botswana; Marsabit in Kenya; Idah Jebba in Nigeria; Salisbury in England and Andaman & Car Nicobar Islands in India
- 9–11** Lainya in South Sudan; Ankole in Uganda; Abuja & Lagos-West in Nigeria; Lichfield in England and Karnataka North in India
- 12–14** Matana in Burundi; South Ankole in Uganda; Morogoro in Tanzania; Ohaji/Egbema in Nigeria; New Westminster in Canada and Dornaka in India
- 16–18** Bentiu in South Sudan; Bunyoro Kitara in Uganda Okigwe-North & Omu- Aran in Nigeria; Kilmore, Elphin & Ardagh in All Ireland and Krishna-Godavari in India
- 19–21** Free State in South Africa; Bondo in Kenya ; Ogbia & Offa in Nigeria; Swansea & Brecon in Wales and Argentina
- 23–25** Wau in South Sudan; Kigeme in Rwanda; Bauchi in Nigeria St David's in Wales and Mandalay in Myanmar
- 26–28** Mundri in South Sudan; Madi & West Nile in Uganda; Isikwuatu in Nigeria; Chichester in England and Seoul in South Korea

### Final Blessing

**May the promises of God fill us with hope and confidence as we go from here to share his love in the world.  
Amen**

## February 2020 Midday Prayers: Building hope and confidence Promises of God

### Monday: God's faithful promises

The Lord is faithful to all his promises and loving towards all he has made. The Lord upholds all those who fall and lifts up all who are bowed down.

How faithful is our God! How perfect is your Word. We hold firm to your promises as we reach out with love to your world.

Gracious God, we praise for your promises: for your steadfast love which is ever new yet unchanging through the ages.

When we founder in our weakness, your steadfast promises sustain upon a rock upon which we depend.

Your keep your unfailing word to a thousand generations. Your mercies never cease.

How faithful is our God! How perfect is your Word. We celebrate your promises with thankful hearts. Amen

### Tuesday: Promise of purpose

For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.  
*Jeremiah 29:11*

Loving Lord, giver of hope which sustains our lives we thank you for your faithful promises.

Loving Lord, we praise you for your plans to sweep away despair and fill us with new purpose in life.

We embrace your promises with joy!  
All glory be to God. We embrace your purposes with joy! All glory be to God.

Loving Lord, help us to reach out to others with the newness of purpose you give, to counter hopelessness in life.

Loving Lord, giver of hope which sustains our lives now and for eternity, **we** worship you.  
Amen

## Wednesday: Promise of God's presence

The Lord himself goes before you and will be with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged.  
*Deuteronomy 31:8*

**Faithful God, we thank you for the promise of your constant presence with us as we determine to follow you.**

God of the journey, may you be both travelling companion and mountain guide on this, our daily walk; lest unprepared or ill-equipped our feet should stumble on uneven ground, or clouds obscure the destination that we so long to see.  
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**Faithful God,  
lead us forward in your love;  
give us boldness to follow your ways.  
Unite us as one in vision and purpose  
to build your kingdom on earth.  
Amen**

## Thursday: Promise of provision

If you, then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give good gifts to those who ask him!  
*Matthew 7:11*

We come to our Heavenly Father with spiritual hands open. We receive with thanks the gifts he places into them.  
**With gratitude we receive our gifts.**

In faith we open our gifts looking to God to show us their use; trusting in him to explain his loving instructions.  
**In faith we open our gifts.**

With joy we learn to use our gifts delighting in their function; employing them to serve others; doing all for the glory of God.

**With joy we use our gifts  
to build hope and confidence  
in those we serve.  
Amen**

## Friday: Promise of rest

Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.  
*Matthew 11:28-30*

In times of weakness and hour of need, yours is the strength by which we carry on, the shoulder we rest our head upon.

**When our load is heavy and too much to bear, yours are the arms stretched out to help us the grace that we depend on.**

In times of weakness and hour of need, your voice is heard; 'Come... find rest.'  
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**We will trust in God alone.  
He is the one who promises rest  
and restores our souls.  
Amen**

## Saturday: God's faithful promises

My word that goes out from my mouth: will not return to me empty, but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it.  
*Isaiah 55:11*

**We come to you Lord today; thirsty for your presence, hungry for your blessing.**

Give ear and come to me; listen, that you may live. I will make an everlasting covenant with you, my faithful love promised to David.

**We come to you Lord today;  
ready for your purposes,  
open to your word.**

You will go out in joy and be led forth in peace; This will be for the Lord's renown, for an everlasting sign, that will endure forever.

**We come to you Lord today;  
trusting in your faithfulness,  
thankful for your love.  
Amen  
Based on Isaiah 55:1-13**